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The Aſſembly of this Province having met according to Adjournment, on Monday the Nineteenth Inſtant, the next Day the following SPEECH *was made to the Houſe by His Honour the Governour.*

Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen,

AS I have conſtantly hitherto had Reaſon to expreſs my Satisfaction in the good Diſpoſition and Zeal of the Repreſentatives of this Province for the Peace and Proſperity of their Country, and no leſs in their Regard and Affection to me, I have not at this Time, on your Meeting purſuant to your laſt Adjournment to proceed on publick Buſineſs, the leaſt Cauſe to doubt of the like hearty Inclinations and firm Reſolutions on your Parts, to purſue with Unanimity and all reaſonable Diſpatch, the ſame good Ends: To the obtaining whereof I ſhall, as I have ever done, contribute my ſincereſt Endeavours, by which Means we ſhall be mutually enabled the moſt effectually to ſecure the Tranquility, and advance the true Honour and Intereſt of the Whole.

And as I am now to lay before you ſuch Heads as may call for your ſerious Thoughts and Application, I ſhall firſt obſerve, That while *Britain*, our Mother Country, by the vigilant Care and Paternal Affection of the beſt of Princes, our moſt gracious Sovereign, fully enjoys the great Bleſſings of Peace and Plenty; yet divers of her Colonies find themſelves diſtreſſed by the Lowneſs of the Markets for the Staple Commodities wherein their Trade conſiſts: Nor are we in this Caſe happier than the reſt. Whatever Means therefore can be found in any Meaſure to relieve us, you will doubtleſs believe it incumbent on you to apply them. Now tho' the good Effects of the Regulations made ſome few Years ſince for retrieving the Credit of our Flour, which had once been in the higheſt Reputation, were for ſome Time after very viſible, yet whether from a Defect in the Law itſelf, or Negligence in executing it, I find our Merchants again heavily complain of the diſcouraging Accounts they receive from their Factors abroad, of the Badneſs of the greater Part of it, that has of late been ſhipp'd from this Port. I hope, therefore, to mention this, is ſufficient to induce you to make a further ſuitable Proviſion for rendring effectual what was before ſo laudably intended.

The frequent Shipwrecks in this Bay, occaſion'd chiefly as 'tis ſaid, by the Difficulty of its Navigation, have of late been the Subject of much Diſcourſe. I find many are deſirous, that according to the Practice of other Countries in the like Caſes, Buoys ſhould be placed to mark out the Channel, and Pilots appointed under proper Qualifications. This, 'tis conceiv'd, would tend to the Security of our Shipping and Increaſe of our Trade, and the Charge in my Opinion might eaſily be ſupported by a ſmall Rate to be impoſed on every Veſſel according to her Tonnage; I cannot therefore but join in likewiſe recommending a Propoſal of this Nature to your Conſideration.

I hope it will be agreeable to you, *Gentlemen*, to know that the Chiefs of the *Six Nation* and *Shawaneſe* Indians, having, purſuant to the Invitation given them, viſited us laſt Fall, we have entred into further Treaties with them, for ſtrengthning that Friendſhip which has ſo long been preſerved inviolable between them and us: And as I cannot doubt but you are fully ſenſible, that the Continuance of a perfect good Underſtanding with the *Indians*, and our Endeavours to improve it, contribute not only to our own Security, but to the Advancement of the *Britiſh* Intereſt in general, I perſuade my ſelf the Expence on this Occaſion, tho' ſomewhat large, will be chearfully defray'd, eſpecially when 'tis conſidered that for ſome Years before, the Publick has been at little if any Charge on theſe Affairs.

Gentlemen,

The Aſſembly of the preceding Year, having at their laſt Seſſion had the Pleaſure of congratulating one of our Honourable Proprietors on his ſafe and long wiſhed for Arrival amongſt us; the Inhabitants of this Province may now

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'tis hoped be made ſenſible of the happy Effects of his Viſit, by the Eſtabliſhment of Property, not only to thoſe who previouſly had any juſt Rights to claim, but alſo to others, whoſe peaceable Behaviour may have recommended them to his Regard.

The next Day the Houſe made the following ADDRESS to the Governor, in anſwer to His Honour's Speech.

May it pleaſe the Governor,

THE Unanimity and good Agreement which has hitherto ſubſiſted between the Governor and the Repreſentatives of this Province, we hope will ſtill continue, and be a Means to promote the Publick Peace and Welfare of this Government.

At the ſame Time we expreſs our Satisfaction for the great Bleſſings of Peace and Plenty our Mother Country enjoys, under the Care and Vigilance of our Gracious Sovereign King George, *we beg Leave to ſay we are very ſenſible of the Difficulties we labour under, thro' the great Fall of our Staple, occaſioned chiefly for want of Markets abroad, the Britiſh Iſlands not being able to conſume the Produce of this and the other Britiſh Northern Colonies; yet as the Goodneſs of the Commodity will always recommend it, we think it our Duty to apply our utmoſt Attention in conſidering what the Governor has been pleaſed to lay before us on that Head, and in the beſt Manner we are able to ſearch out ſuch Remedies as may probably relieve us, by encouraging our Trade and promoting a more advantageous Sale of our Country Produce in Foreign Markets.*

The Encouragement of Navigation we are ſenſible is of great Importance, and any Difficulties that might interrupt or hinder its Increaſe, call for our immediate Attention; but by what Information we have hitherto received, the few Loſſes that have happened, appear to us rather to be owing to Miſconduct than any uncommon Difficulty or Danger in our Bay: Nevertheleſs, we ſhall not be wanting in giving proper Encouragement to any Propoſal that may render the ſame leſs hazardous.

The good Underſtanding which by frequent Treaties has been maintained between the Six Nation *and* Shawaneſe *Indians, and this Province, we cannot but think juſtly deſerves our Acknowledgement, for the continuing of which we ſhall chearfully diſcharge what may be neceſſarily and reaſonably diſburſed for that End.*

As the Arrival of one of our Honourable Proprietors has been juſtly attended with the joyful Congratulations of all Ranks of People of this Province, ſo we hope his Preſence here will be the Means of confirming the legal Purchaſers in the quiet Poſſeſſion of their Lands, and of encouraging the peaceable and induſtrious Planter to ſettle among us.

We hear from the upper Part of the French Creek, that on the 11th Inſtant, one John Iddens went into the Pine Swamp with a Falling-Ax and two Dogs, in ſearch of a Bear which had been ſeen and was ſuppos'd to den there: He found her at the Foot of a Hill, where ſhe had dug a deep Hole, and half filled it with Leaves. The Bear immediately ſeized his Maſtiff Dog in her Hug, when he attack'd her with his Pitching-Ax, and ſtruck it ſo deep into her Head that 'twas with Difficulty he got it out again; he redoubled his Blow, and ſhe fell dead to the Ground: Mean time his Mother-in-law with the Help of the other Dog, kill'd one of the Cubs, and he took the other Cub Priſoner.

We hear that above Fifty Veſſels were blown off from theſe Coaſts to the Weſt Indies this Winter.

Cuſtom-Houſe, Philadelphia. *Entred inwards.*

Brigt. Dove, Wm. Hill from South-Carolina; Sloop Gallant Schemer, Joſ. Preu ditto; Sloop Benjamin, Geo. Paris, ditto. *Entred Outwards.* Sloop Johns, Abraham Hayes for North-Carolina, Scoon. Chriſtiana, J. Stewart, ditto; Brigt. Rebecca, Solomon Goad for Jamaica; Brigt. Beaver, Benjamin Chriſtian, for South-Carolina; Snow Speedy; David Davies for Weſt-Indies; Ship Ruby, Joſ. Arthur, for South-Carolina; Brigt. Warren, T. Thompſon for Cork; Brigt. Cumberland, John Watts for Barbados.

Cleared Out. Sloop Dove, Philip Doz to N-Caſtle, Ship Debby Galley, T. Lloyd to Barbadoes; Sloop Speedwell, Tho. Barnes to South-Carolina; Sloop Johns, Abraham Hayes to North-Carolina; Sloop Lydia, Peter Nihil to Antigua.

Advertiſements.

RUN away March 25. *from the Ship* Swift, *a Servant Man named* Robert Low, *aged about 24 Years, of middle Stature and ſandy Complexion, wearing his own ſhort Hair. Whoever ſecures ſaid Servant ſo that he may be had again, ſhall have* Three Pounds *Reward, and reaſonable Charges paid, by* David Ruſſan, *Maſter of ſaid Ship.*

To be Sold or Let,

A Dwelling-Houſe, Tan-Houſe and Tan-Yard, in the Town of New-Caſtle. *Any Perſon purchaſing may have conſiderable Time to pay the Money, giving Security if required, by* James Merrewether *of the Place aforeſaid.*

Alſo near Four Hundred Hides, with ſeveral Dozens of Skins, the major Part now a Tanning, are to be ſold for Ready Money *to the Perſon who buys or rents the Tan-yard aforementioned.*

LOST a dark Gelding, with a Star in his Forehead, Snip on his Noſe, middling Tail with white Hairs among it, white between the Ears, marked on the left Buttock with a D *and a Croſs on the Top of it. Whoever brings him to* Mark Kuhl, *Baker, near the Priſon in Philadelphia, ſhall have Twenty Shillings Reward.*

RUN away Mar. 14. *from* Edmund Farrel, *Tanner, a Servant Man named* Alexander Nelſon, *an Iriſhman, aged about 24 Years, of middle Stature. He has a black Wig, a lead-colour Camlet Coat, a black Drugget Jacket, Buckſkin Breeches, fine Hat, grey worſted Stockings, new Shoes; has alſo taken with him a Quantity of Paper Money, and ſome Silver, and alſo the old Indentures of one* James Mac-Daniel, *now free, and the Paſs of the ſaid* Mac-Daniel *out of Maryland, and probably may uſe his Name. Whoever ſecures the ſaid Servant ſo that he may be had again, ſhall have* Three Pounds *Reward, and reaſonable Charges paid, by* Edmund Farrel.

TO be ſold by William Fiſhbourn, *ſeveral Tracts of good Land in* Philadelphia *and* Bucks *Counties, being well water'd, and good Part fit for Meadowing. Alſo ſome Land already in good Meadow, with the Iſlands at* Briſtol, *and the Mills there, with Houſes, Lots and Lands thereto belonging. Alſo Houſes and Lots, and Ground-Rents forever, in* Philadelphia *City, on Reaſonable Terms.*

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